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SECTION FOR COMMUNICABLE DISEASE PREVENTION

The Section for Communicable Disease Prevention is dedicated to the prevention and control of communicable diseases. The Section includes the following units: Disease Investigation; Prevention and Care Program, as well as a Fiscal and Operations office.


Services include:

- Establishing rules and policies pertaining to the control and prevention of communicable diseases.
- Consulting with local health officers, practicing physicians, and others regarding diagnosis and control measures for specific communicable diseases.
- Consulting with local public health agencies on coordination of disease outbreak investigations, disease investigation control activities, and analysis of data.
- Collecting and analyzing disease case reports and providing feedback reports.
- Working with physicians and laboratories to encourage complete reporting of communicable diseases.
- Assuring rapid response to public health emergencies and natural disasters, including bioterrorism events.
- Collaborating with community members throughout the state who serve on the HIV/STD Prevention Community Planning Group.
- Coordinating comprehensive services to individuals with HIV/AIDS through a statewide system of community-based organizations, local, district, and state health departments.
- Administering the Missouri Medicaid AIDS Waiver service to eligible individuals in lieu of inpatient nursing or hospital facilities.
- Providing consultation, education, and guidelines/recommendations on zoonotic disease outbreak investigations, human prophylaxis, and management of animals with diseases capable of transmission to humans.
- Acting as liaison with other agencies such as the Missouri Department of Agriculture to maintain current knowledge of diseases and environmental conditions occurring in animal populations that may affect humans.
- Acting as liaison between the Department of Health and Senior Services and the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and other federal and state agencies concerned with communicable disease control.
- Collaborating with community groups to affect action plans for preventing and controlling diseases of high prevalence within the community.
- Providing, without charge, prescribed drugs for the treatment of TB disease or infection.
- Providing tuberculin skin testing materials for use in contact testing programs.

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- Maintaining a registry of known tuberculosis cases and tuberculosis infection in Missouri. This registry serves as a guide for case follow-up and supervision. It also provides information for planning and evaluating tuberculosis control efforts.
- Providing assistance to local health officials in the screening and treatment of public health conditions in newly arriving refugees.
- Disseminating guidelines for TB control in Missouri.
- Coordinating case management for TB on a statewide basis.
- Administering the Vaccines for Children program, which provides immunizations for Medicaid, uninsured, underinsured, Native American, Alaskan Native, and Pacific Islander children.
- Managing and promoting MOHSAIC, an electronic registry database designed to hold immunization records for all Missouri children.
- Coordinating the perinatal hepatitis B program, in which pregnant women carrying hepatitis B are followed through delivery so newborns are treated to prevent transmission of the disease to them.
- Providing education and information to the public, as well as to private and public health care providers, about appropriate administration, storage, and handling of vaccines for children, adolescents, and adults.
- Conducting surveys with all school and daycare providers to assure compliance with state immunization requirements.
- Collaborating with other programs within the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services, other state and federal agencies, and community-based organizations in emergency event planning and response.

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OUR VISION

Missouri citizens and communities will enjoy optimal health through reduction of communicable disease and environmental hazards. As experts in the field, we will continually enhance our level of knowledge and expertise in order to assure that our methods, tools and interventions reflect community involvement and remain effective within diverse cultures.

OUR MISSION

The Division of Environmental Health and Communicable Disease Prevention's mission is to protect and promote the public's health by:

Assessing indicators of communicable disease and environmental hazards;

Assuring access to disease prevention, intervention and environmental assessment services;

Developing policies and regulations;

**Educating the public and promoting healthy behaviors;
and**

Collaborating with public and private entities.

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